

DESCRIPTION OF THE RELATED ART

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Existing systems have a relatively high number of additional parts compared with standard fixing systems with locking catches, springs acting on the latter and cams unlocking the assembly and, on the other hand, located at the bottom of the fixing systems, they are difficult to reach.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

A purpose of the present invention is to simplify this by also equipping the heel release with functions of locking catches and of cams unlocking the system.--.

Page 3, before line 1, insert the following heading:

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--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--;

Page 3, between lines 4 and 5, insert the following heading:

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--DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1-8.

Add the following new claims:

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--9. (new) Fixing system for fixing a shoe to a snowboard, said system comprising:

a base for receiving said shoe, said base comprising
a sole to be fixed flat on said snowboard; and
two lateral wings extending up on the sides of said sole corresponding to the two lateral sides of said shoe;